Docket No.: 071971-0132 **PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITE PROCEDURE

In re Application of Customer Number: 53080

Confirmation Number: 1073 Toshihiko FUKUOKA, et al.

Application No.: 10/523,720 Group Art Unit: 2435

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For: ENCRYPTING/DECRYPTING DEVICE AND METHOD, ENCRYPTING DEVICE

AND METHOD, DECRYPTING DEVICE AND METHOD, AND

TRANSMITTING/RECEIVNG DEVICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2008, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 17, 2009 (Saturday, Holiday), reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks.